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WEATHER
Tonight and Friday fair.

Weather Data.
Maximum temperature 33; minimum 22; wind, south; other, cloudy.

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WILSON MAY REFUSE TO SIGN ANY MEASURE WHICH DOESN'T GRANT HIM FULL AUTHORITY

Japanese Embassy Issues Official Statement Pledging Continued Friendship to U.S.

EXTRA SESSION IS LOOMING

Senator Thomas Demands That Congress Remains on the Job; Notes Intends to Ask Full Discussion of All Appropriation Bills.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The house has started debating the Flood bill empowering the president to arm ships. Flood declared the United States wanted to protect steamers, possibly if possible, but said it was ready to use armaments if necessary to secure the freedom of the seas.

Campbell asserted congress had no right to empower the president to make war. He urged that congress remain in session during the emergency. Henry urged unity. Emerson warned that serious difficulty was possible if the United States did not protect its rights.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The house adopted a rule providing for immediate consideration of the armed neutrality bill. It is understood President Wilson favors a senate bill giving him all powers. He will refuse to sign any measure not granting the authority he asked. The house bill limits his powers to arming ships.

Details of Plot Asked.
The senate foreign committee has agreed to report the Lodge resolution asking for details of the alleged German-Japanese plot. It eliminated the La Follette amendment asking how long the government had possessed the Zimmerman letter.

The Japanese embassy issued an official statement pledging its continued friendship to the United States. It declared Japan "under no circumstances" would entertain the German proposition.

TWO PROGRAMS AT STYLE SHOW THIS EVENING

Place, The Temple Theatre.
First performance 6:30 p. m.
Second performance 8:45 p. m.
Ladies' matinee tomorrow 2 p. m.

Gowns of spring, displayed on the fair forms of young ladies of this city and that of Miss Vauxhall, professional model from New York, are to be seen this evening at the first real Community Style Show for Pendleton. All preparations have been made for the opening of the great event and the conditions are such as to insure a successful show from all standpoints.

In keeping with the spirit of the style show local merchants participating in the affair are today showing special draped windows illustrating the new styles in apparel.

The show is to be in progress this evening and Friday evening, with a special ladies' matinee Friday afternoon. All performances will be at the Temple theatre.

RITNER ASSERTS BONDING BILL WILL HELP EASTERN OREGON

"It will be many years before Eastern Oregon people will get another chance to vote on a road bill that will be more favorable to their interests than the \$5,000,000 bonding bill to be voted on in June," says Representative Roy W. Ritner.

Among the favorable features of the bill from a local standpoint, in the view of Mr. Ritner, are that eastern Oregon has a member of the highway commission and that the action of the commission in agreeing upon roads must be unanimous, thereby preventing injustice to any section of the state. In the event the commission cannot agree upon any subject the governor has power to step in and settle the issue.

The highway commission, to which the governor has named R. Benson,

FORCE OF WIND MAY 21, 1916 MOOTED QUESTION

Both sides rested their case at 2:25 this afternoon. Owing to the desire of the attorneys to have some indication as to what the judge's instructions will be, it was decided to start the argument at an evening session. This afternoon the attorneys will prepare their instructions for submission to the court. Judge Phelps allowed a limited time for the attorneys to argue to him on their contentions as to instructions. It was tentatively decided that each of the eight attorneys should be permitted to make an argument. The arguments will not be concluded until tomorrow. Leon Cohen was the last witness for the plaintiff and only one rebuttal witness, Dr. McCorkle, was called.

Whether or not the wind of May 21, 1916, which blew down the false front of the Peoples Warehouse was an unusual wind is a question to which considerable importance is being attached in the trial of the Hoch damage suit, which is now on its fourth day.

A number of witnesses were placed on the stand by the plaintiff to testify that the wind of that day was not at all unusual for this city. Now that the defendants are having their innings, they are putting on just as many or more witnesses to testify that the wind was a violent one and extraordinary. It is the contention of the defendants that such a wind was not to be anticipated in constructing the temporary structure.

Among the wind witnesses of the defendants yesterday afternoon and this morning were Emil Siebert, A. G. Brock, Don Bowman, Mrs. L. C. Rothrock, J. Laing, E. C. Day, J. V. Tallman, W. H. McCormack, Tom Smart, Charles Melles and J. M. Ferguson. Some of them on cross-examination stated that they have seen stronger winds here. J. V. Tallman testified that the wind blew the top of a tree at his place and Tom Smart testified that it twisted one of his trees.

Dr. G. L. Boden was called to testify as to X-ray plates made at the Boden office yesterday of Miss Hoch. The plates do not differ materially from those previously introduced, it was testified.

Details of Structure.
Charles Cole, one of the contractors, and C. C. Rafferty and C. W. Pfaffner, carpenters employed by the Hochs, testified as to the details of the construction of the false front and as to what precautions had been taken against a collapse.

Peter Earl, one of the directors of the Peoples Warehouse, was called this morning and testified as to the structure, its purposes and uses and the arrangements for building the same. Ray Crystal, manager of the grocery department, was called to testify along the same line. John Dickson, bookkeeper at the store, testified that the Peoples Warehouse had paid for the building of the false front. He was put on by the attorney for the Dickson estate.

The case will not be concluded today, it is certain. It seems likely that all testimony will be concluded today but it is very probable that an entire day if not more will be necessary for the arguments and instructions to the jury.

GERMANS HAVE BEEN GIVING AID TO VILLA

British Agents Get Hold of Proof That German Interests Instigated Parol Fight.

AFFIDAVITS ARE OBTAINED

EL PASO, March 1.—United States government agents have learned that the Germans have been advising and financing Villa. It is reported that both Mexican factions gave special privileges to two hundred Germans in northern Mexico. British agents have obtained proof that German interests instigated the Parol battle wherein Carrandias ambushed Americans. A Mexican garrison commander has signed an affidavit charging that German Consul Agent Koch "winked up the fight." The affidavit has been sent to the war department.

HUNDREDS ATTEND PURE FOOD SHOW AT PEOPLES WAREHOUSE

Many Attractive Exhibits of All Varieties of Food, Samples of Delicacies Given.

Hundreds of women and men of the city are today flocking to the grocery department of the Peoples Warehouse to the Pure Food Show which Manager Ray Crystal is staging. There they are not only confronted with attractive exhibits of all varieties and kinds of wholesome food products but are given the opportunity of tasting the various delicacies prepared and served by demonstrators.

At one booth Miss Alice Butler, head of the domestic science department of the high school, has a number of her girl students who are making tomato doughnuts in the presence of the patrons. They are home-made doughnuts in the best sense of the term for all of the ingredients are products of local industries. Rye-dumplings, potato farl, Pendleton butter, Pendleton lard and Oregon beet sugar are used exclusively.

At another booth Mrs. Villa Stovall, demonstrator for Clonett & Devers, has an exhibit of Golden West products pleasing to both eye and taste, for while you look she serves you with delicious coffee. At another booth, presided over by Mrs. L. L. Brosted and several assistants the Diamond W. products of Washburn & Co. are exhibited and at the booth coffee, salads and many dainties are prepared for those who stop. Diamond W. jelly powders, cake filler and coffee are being chiefly exploited.

At a fourth booth The Delta is serving all kinds of ice cream made in its own factory. Incidentally this Pure Food Show is ushering in an era of penny values in groceries. The Peoples Warehouse has just installed a number of new Toledo scales that weigh in the penny to enable patrons to pay in an exactness for just what they get. In these days of high cost of living, the lowly penny is not to be despised.

Another attraction at the show is the gift-distributing department. On an average of once every minute some one of the callers is presented with some gift of groceries.

The show will continue through tomorrow.

ONTARIO WOMEN GET PRIVILEGE OF VOTING

Officials of American Association See Hope for English Women Later.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Officials of the North American Woman Suffrage association headed by Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, are in the granting of suffrage to women in the Canadian province of Ontario a step toward the eventual grant of woman suffrage in England.

Ontario's action, following that of Manitoba, Alberta, Saskatchewan and British Columbia gives suffrage to women in three-fourths of Canada. The action of the Ontario parliament suffrage leaders here say it gives the ballot to more women than ever received it at one time except in Australia. The population of California exceeds that of Ontario but the proportion of women to men is larger in the Canadian province.

AMERICAN STEAMER SAFE

BORDEAUX, March 1.—The American steamer Rochester has arrived safely at the mouth of the Gironde river.

GERMANY PLOTS AGAINST THE U. S.

THE ZIMMERMAN LETTER

Here is a copy of Zimmerman's instructions to Von Eckhardt, sent through Von Bernstorff, which is in possession of the United States government. It is as follows:
"Berlin, Jan. 19, 1917.—On the first of February we intend to begin submarine warfare unrestricted. In spite of this, it is our intention to endeavor to keep neutral the United States of America."

"If this attempt is not successful we propose an alliance on the following basis with Mexico. That we shall make war together and together make peace. We shall give general financial support, and it is understood that Mexico is to reconquer the lost territory in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. The details are left to you for settlement."

JAPANESE AID IS SOLICITED.
"You are instructed to inform the President of Mexico of the above in confidence as soon as it is certain that there will be an outbreak of war with the United States and suggest that the President of Mexico, on his own initiative, should communicate with Japan, suggesting adherence at once to this plan; at the same time offer to mediate between Germany and Japan."

"Please call to the attention of the President of Mexico that the employment of ruthless submarine warfare now promises to compel England to make peace in a few months."
"(Signed) ZIMMERMAN."

SIX MILLIONS FOR A PENSION FUND

Protestant Episcopal Church Will Care for the Aged Clergymen.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The pension fund of the Protestant Episcopal church, providing for the pensioning of aged clergymen, their widows and orphans, will become effective tomorrow. Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts announced here last night.

"It will be at least two weeks before a final statement can be made as to the amount raised," said Bishop Lawrence, "but it is possible to announce at this time that at least \$5,500,000 has been subscribed."

WOMAN LEADS NEW YORK FOOD RIOTERS



"Sweet Marie" Gantz, indicated in the photograph by the arrow, was the leader of the East Side women who stormed the New York City hall demanding food and relief from the excessive food prices. She is a former L. W. W. worker and once threatened the life of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. She was arrested and found guilty of disorderly conduct, but was released under suspended sentence. The following day she led another delegation of women to see Mayor Mitchell, but on this occasion there was no disorder. "Sweet Marie" was photographed outside the New York City Hall as she was surrounded by her supporters whom the police were endeavoring to disperse.

JAPAN AND MEXICO SOUGHT AS ALLIES IN TEUTON SCHEME

Document Bearing Instructions to Von Eckhardt in Mexico City is Intercepted; Has Been in Possession of U.S. Government for Some Time; Sinister Sequence of Events Explained; Big Concessions Offered as Bait.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—It has been revealed that Germany, in planning unrestricted submarine warfare and counting its consequences, proposed an alliance with Mexico and Japan to make war on the United States, if this country should not remain neutral. The administration knew the details of Germany's plotting when the anti-alien bills were pending before the Oregon and Idaho legislatures. It explains the government's anxiety to prevent the bills passing.

The exposure gave the lie direct to Hollweg's Reichstag speech expressing surprise over the United States severance of relations. The administration knew the details of Germany's plotting when the anti-alien bills were pending before the Oregon and Idaho legislatures. It explains the government's anxiety to prevent the bills passing.

German agents followed the developments of the Mexican peace conference at Atlantic City and many German spies were on the border. Teuton diplomats, it is reported, traveled from Washington to Mexico City and Tokyo.

Letter is Confirmed.
Senator Swanson told the senate: "President Wilson authorized me to say that the Zimmerman letter to the German embassy in Mexico, proposing an alliance with Japan and Mexico is substantially correct."

The statement followed Senator Lodge's resolution asking for confirmation. Lodge said: "I ask because the matter is serious. If it's false the country should know, and allay the excitement. It's true congress certainly should know."

Senator Works said Wilson should give congress "all the information" in his possession. Stone asked that the senate refer the matter to the foreign committee for "further investigation before any ill advised action is taken." He said every possible agency was being used to excite public opinion.

Japan Denies Knowledge.
Japanese Ambassador Sato denied all knowledge of the alleged Japanese implication in the Mexican-German plot. He admitted the report was probably true but declared Japan would never join Mexico or Germany against the United States.

Germany's attempt was frustrated. The state department intimated the Zimmerman letter never reached Carranza or Japan. It was intercepted en route.

Secretary Lansing authorized the statement: "The department does not believe Japan has any knowledge of this, or that Japan would consider any proposition made by the enemy."

Cuban Situation Alarms.
It is strongly hinted the government has information concerning German implication in the recent Cuban uprising. Authorities are closely watching Cuba on account of dangerous possibilities. It is suspected Germany may be responsible for the food riots. Secret service men are investigating. It is hinted the justice department may have startling facts concerning the food situation shortly.

Had Letter Some Time.
The administration revealed the Zimmerman letter to stir congress to grant Wilson full powers. The government has possessed the document for

RALEY STREET PAVING MEETS WITH PROTEST

Property Owners Whose Holding Abutt Street Sign Objection Read Before City Council.

Raley street from Walters Mill to the city limits is not to be paved without a fight. Last evening a protest signed by all of the property owners whose property abuts the street, was ready to the city last evening by G. W. Couts, their attorney. The protest set forth that, while they favored street improvement, the proposed improvement would be so expensive that it would virtually mean confiscation of property inasmuch as the cost would be greater than the value of the property affected. Such improvement would not increase the value of the property, the protesters claim. It is pointed out also that most of the property affected is vacant and non-revenue producing.

The council has not yet received a report from the city engineer, on the estimated cost of the proposed improvement and, hence, cannot arrive at any conclusions yet.

Mayor Best stated last evening that an impression has gone abroad that the city intends forcing certain street improvements. He said the matter is entirely in the hands of the residents. If a sufficient number of them want the improvements they must so signify before the city will proceed, he said.

WHEAT ON RISE IN CHICAGO PIT

CHICAGO, March 1.—(Special to the East Oregonian)—Range of wheat prices today:
Open High Low Close
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